CLAIMS

1. An isolated nucleic acid molecule selected from:
(a) nucleic acid molecules comprising a nucleotide sequence as shown in SEQ ID NO: 1, 3, 5 or 7;
(b) nucleic acid molecules comprising a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing, under stringent hybridization conditions, to a nucleotide sequence complementary to the polypeptide coding region of a nucleic acid molecule as defined in (a); and
(c) nucleic acid molecules comprising a nucleic acid sequence which is degenerate as a result of the genetic code to a nucleotide sequence as defined in (a) or (b).

2. An isolated polypeptide encoded by the nucleic acid molecule according to claim 1.

3. The isolated polypeptide according to claim 2 having an amino acid sequence shown as SEQ ID NO: 2, 4, 6, or 8 in the Sequence Listing

4. A vector harboring the nucleic acid molecule according to claim 1.

5. A replicable expression vector which carries and is capable of mediating the expression of a nucleotide sequence according to claim 1.

6. A cultured host cell harboring a vector according to claim 4 or 5.

7. A process for production of a polypeptide, comprising culturing a host cell according to claim 6 under conditions whereby said polypeptide is produced, and recovering said polypeptide.

8. A method for identifying an agent capable of modulating a nucleic acid molecule according to claim 1, comprising

(i) providing a cell comprising the said nucleic acid molecule;

(ii) contacting said cell with a candidate agent; and

(iii) monitoring said cell for an effect that is not present in the absence of said candidate agent.